

TO: MEMBERS OF THE MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION

FROM: Donald Wiswell, CHAIRMAN

DATE: June 3, 2004

SUBJECT: MEETING Tuesday, June 1, 2004

The next commission meeting will be held on **Tuesday, July 6, 2004** at the Maine Motor Transport, Whitten Road, Augusta. The phone number is 623-4128.

THE JULY MEETING WILL START AT 9:00 AM

1. Approve minutes of June 1, 2004 meeting.
2. Discuss pending matters, complaints, responses, application, etc.
3. New Business.
4. Public Comments.

MAINE WATER WELL DRILLING COMMISSION

Minutes of June 1, 2004 Meeting

Members Present:

Ed Bowie, Driller
Glenn Dyer, Driller
David Braley, DHS
Rodney Pratt, Driller
Marc Loiselle, MGS
Donald Wiswell, Chairman
Chris Olson, DOT

Others Present:

Paul Gauvreau
Pat Pratt
Barry Sanford
Dean Getchell

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM.

Approval of May 1, 2003 meeting minutes:

Rodney Pratt made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 1, 2004 meeting and Glenn Dyer 2nd. Approved unanimously.

Update on Complaints:

Mike Morin vs Conrad "Joe" Dube Well Drilling - The Commission will need to see a clean bacteria test before Mr. Dube is to add Bentonite to form a top seal. On hold.

Gregory Beane vs Carmel Well Drilling - No response from Mr. Rudnicki as of June 1, 2004.

Hoyt & Cheryl Fairbrother vs Burnett Well Drilling - Dean Getchell received a message from Mr. Debeck. Dean tried numerous times to contact Mr. Debeck with no response.

The presence of E-Coli in water samples and the close proximity of a septic system are evidence of a significant threat to public health and of groundwater contamination. The contamination is now localized because there are no other wells in the area.

The Commission determined that Burnett Well Drilling may no longer be in business. Marc Loiselle made a motion to have Mr. Fairbrother contact a new driller

and Dean Getchell will find a new location for a replacement well. The old well must be abandoned because it poses a significant threat to public health and groundwater contamination. Mr. Fairbrother should consult with an Attorney to determine if any future legal action is appropriate. The Commission orders the well to be abandoned by the August meeting or further action may be initiated through the Attorney Generals office. Glenn Dyer 2nd the motion.

Carolyn Damon vs (Delwin) Philbrick Well Drilling - On hold, waiting for test results.

Tricia Balzano vs Roger Hillock & Son Well Inc - Mr. Hillock will appear at the July 6, 2004 meeting.

Clarence & Holly Drew vs Carmel Well Drilling - On hold.

Shawn & Arica Burwood vs Clearwater Well Drilling Company
Waiting for response from driller. On hold until July meeting.

Rodney Hillman vs Burnett Well Drilling - The Commission is waiting the results of the water test taken by the homeowner.

New Complaints:

Complaints Closed

Carolyn Payeur vs L & L Well Drilling Inc - Rodney Pratt made a motion that Ms. Payeur's letter does not address an issue with well construction. If Ms. Payeur has a problem in the future she may contact the Commission. No violation is found. Glen Dyer 2nd the motion. Closed

Tony Stevens vs Pine State Drilling - Sediment problem resolved. Closed

Specialty Wells

Mary Wescott - Affordable Wells - David Braley will inspect the location.

Douglas & Brenda Adams - Reilly Well Drilling Inc - Approved with 120 feet of casing with Jaswell type seals top and bottom.

Michael Nesmith - Fleming Well Drilling Inc - Approved with 100 feet of casing with Jaswell type seals top and bottom.

Lorraine Scheyer - John Gilbert Inc Well Drilling Inc. - Approved with 60 feet of casing with Jaswell type seals top and bottom.

Examinations Requested

Jason Bisson, Affordable Well Drilling, Journeyman Well Driller and Journeyman Pump Installer exams.

Neal Faulkner, Tri State Drilling & Boring Inc, West Burke VT, Master Well Driller exam.

Examination Passed

David Dube from Merrimack NH, passed the Master Well Driller and Master Pump Installer exams.

Peter Fleming from Bangor ME, passed the Journeyman Well Driller exam.

David Sullivan from Clinton MA, passed the Master Well Driller exam.

Carl Beirholm from Stearling MA, passed the Master Well Driller exam.

Meeting Dates for 2004

Please note the December meeting.

July 6, 2004

October 5, 2004

August 3, 2004

November 2, 2004

September 7, 2004

December 7, 2004

Subject to change.

New Business:

Ed Bowie brought up the issue concerning a licensed pump installer legally being able to put in a water conditioning system, or a special equipment license to be issued for water conditioning. The issue will be tabled for discussion with the Plumbers Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15.

The next Well Drillers Meeting will be:
Tuesday, July 6, 2004 at 9:00 am.